Forms and Applications:

Available to download and/or print at: **Oregon.gov/WorkShare**

If You Have Any Questions:

Toll Free: 1 (800) 436-6191 In Salem (503) 947-1800 Fax: (503) 947-1888 TDD relay service - 711 OED_WORKSHARE@employ.oregon.gov



Contact your Oregon WorkSource Center

Work Share Unit 875 Union St NE Salem, OR 97311



Oregon.gov/WorkShare

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Business and the State of Oregon Working Together to Support Employment



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What is Work Share?

Work Share is a program that offers an alternative to laying off employees. It allows employers to retain their valued workforce during times of slowdown by reducing work hours. Employees whose hours and wages are reduced are eligible to receive a portion of their regular unemployment insurance benefits to compensate for the lost wages.

Who is Eligible?

Work Share is available to any private employer with three or more employees. Employees who would normally be eligible to receive regular unemployment insurance benefits in Oregon may participate in Work Share.



Advantages to Work Share

For Employers:

- Retain valued employees
- Reduce hiring and retraining costs when business improves
- Improve employee morale

For Employees:

- Avoid hardships usually associated with layoffs
- Unemployment benefits replace a portion of lost wages
- Maintain benefits such as health insurance and retirement benefits

The following requirements also apply:

- The normal weekly hours of work and wages are reduced by at least 20% and not more than 40%.
- The employee must serve a waiting period before receiving Work Share benefits, unless a waiting period has already been served on a claim.
- Persons who have used all of their unemployment benefits or who have a claim against another state can not receive Work Share benefits.

- The Employee must be physically and mentally able and available to work for the Work Share employer.
- Work Share cannot be used for normal seasonal declines in business activity.

How do I Apply?

Employees cannot apply for the Work Share program. To be considered for the program, employers must submit a Work Share Plan Application to the Oregon Employment Department. Once approved, weekly claim certifications will need to be turned in. The plan application and forms can be found at:

Oregon.gov/WorkShare

